REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration of this application, as amended, is respectfully requested.

Regarding the Information Disclosure Statement filed 11-24-03, the Information Disclosure Statement includes Form PTO-1449 listing documents. A copy of the Form which was filed on November 24, 2003 is submitted herewith.

Applicants respectfully request a copy of the Form endorsed by the Examiner in the usual manner.

The claims have been amended, where appropriate, to overcome the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph. The recitations in Claims 19 and 24 which are the subject of the rejection have been deleted. Also, the claims have been further amended, where appropriate, to clarify the invention intended to be claimed.

This application is now believed to be in condition for allowance.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge to Deposit Account No. 50-1165 any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required by this paper and to credit any overpayment to that Account. If any extension of time is required in connection with the filing of this paper and

has not been requested separately, such extension is hereby requested.

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